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In response to the 11/25/02 restriction for examination purposes requirement in the above identified patent application, applicants elect the claims of category I involving claims 1 – 5 and respectfully request that the claims of category II involving claims 6-9 be held in abeyance pending decision on finality and subsequent divisional prosecution. If during examination the claims being held in abeyance were to become the only impediment to allowability of the application the examiner is authorized hereby to cancel them.

Respectfully submitted,

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